Interference of the Headmaster, Kottar English High School, in the Nagercoil Municipal Elections.

6. **MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI** (*Tovala*) : (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they received any petition or message of complaint regarding the participation of Mr. Anantakrishna Aiyar, Headmaster of the Kottar High School, in the ward election as well as in the election of the Chairman of the Nagercoil Municipality ?

(*b*) Were similar complaints made against him by Dr. N. A. Sundaram Pillai, a candidate at the last election of the Legislative Council ?

(*c*) Was any enquiry made in respect of the complaints referred to in parts (*a*) and (*b*)?

(*d*) Are the Government aware that one of the grounds in the election petition questioning the validity of the Chairman's election preferred by four members of the Council was the interference of this Headmaster, Mr. Anantakrishna Aiyar ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) A telegram was received by the Government.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) The telegram referred to in part (*a*) was forwarded to the Dewan Peishkar for necessary action.

(*d*) No.

Nomination of Members to the Nagercoil Municipal Council.

7. **MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI** (*Tovala*) : (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state :

(i) on what principle the present four nominations were made to the Nagercoil Municipal Council ;

(ii) whether any recommendation was made by Mr. A. Nayanar, the Chairman, to those four seats, and if so, the names of those persons with their respective claims ;

(iii) whether any recommendation was made by the Dewan Peishkar, Trivandrum Division, and the Tahsildar of Agastisvaram taluk, and if so, will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a copy of the latter ; and

(iv) whether the Government required the Chairman to submit such recommendation or he himself volunteered it ?

(*b*) Were two of the four members nominated at present already nominated members of the old council and the other two members of the panel of the local Panchayat Court Judges and Bench Magistrates ?

(*c*) Was there any petition or memorial from their respective communities suggesting other persons ?

(*d*) What was the reason, if any, for refusing to appoint them and nominating a second time two members of the old council ?

(*e*) Are they aware that one of the two members nominated a second time is over sixty years of age ?

(*f*) Did the Government receive representations by means of petitions or resolutions passed at several public meetings of the citizens

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